AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE

PEPALIS OF DYEGON, OR HIS

DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4200, AS REPORTED

OFFERED BY MR. DEFAZIO OF OREGON

(Page and line numbers refer to the amendment in the nature of a substitute)

Strike section 104 (page 24, line 10, through page 28, line 14) and insert the following new section:

SEC. 104. PRE-EVENT MANAGEMENT PLANS.

- (a) PLAN AMENDMENT.—For Federal land where 2
- timber harvest is allowed, but not the primary manage-
- ment objective, the Secretary concerned shall amend the
- land and resource management plan or land use plan ap-
- plicable to the land to pre-plan for certain activities to im-
- mediately follow a fire or other catastrophic event. The
- activities shall be specific to forest type and plant associa-
- tion group, and be appropriate to the management objec-
- tives for area described in the plan. The Secretary con-10
- cerned shall initiate plan amendments with priority to 11
- areas at the greatest risk of a catastrophic event and with 12
- the most suitability for post-event activities. Managers 13
- using this pre-planning authority shall conduct environ-
- mental analysis in accordance with 36 C.F.R. 219 et seq.
- and 40 C.F.R. 1500 et seq.



- 1 (b) PEER REVIEW.—Before an activity, or collection
- 2 of activities, may be adopted as an amendment to a land
- 3 and resource management plan or land use plan, the activ-
- 4 ity or activities shall be subject to independent, third-party
- 5 peer review by scientific and land management experts.
- 6 The results of the peer review shall be available to the
- 7 public no later than the availability of the draft plan revi-
- 8 sion.
- 9 (c) Expedited Review.—The Secretary concerned
- 10 may use the procedures provided in section 104 of the
- 11 Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C.
- 12 6514; Public Law 108–148) to implement activities adopt-
- 13 ed as part of the amendment of a land and resource man-
- 14 agement plan or land use plan according to subsections
- 15 (a) and (b). If environmental documentation is conducted
- 16 under this authority, then the administrative and judicial
- 17 appeals process described in sections 105 and 106 of such
- 18 Act (16 U.S.C. 6515, 6516) shall apply.

Add at the end of the bill the following new section:

19 SEC. 405. LIMITATION ON APPLICATION OF ACT.

- In the case of Federal land covered by this Act, the
- 21 Secretary concerned shall use the authorities provided for
- 22 in this Act only on those Federal lands that—
- 23 (1) are designated as general forest areas avail-
- able for timber production; and



- 1 (2) are not otherwise reserved or managed for
- 2 non-timber production values.

